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## AMENDMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH 37 CFR §1.111

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Jo Ann Lindman

Dear Madam:

In response to the office action dated May 24, 2001, please amend the above-captioned patent application as follows:

In the Claims

Please amend claim 49 as follows:

(Once Amended) A catheter shaft comprising:

a first tube including an inflation lumen in fluid contact with a dilation balloon, an inside wall surface, and an outside wall surface, said first tube having an orifice in a

portion of said first tube;

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